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MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 56th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

JOINT APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Call to Order: By CHAIRMAN BETTY LOU KASTEN, on February 4, 1999 at 8:02 A.M., in Room 108 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Betty Lou Kasten, Chairman (R)

Sen. Chuck Swysgood, Vice Chairman (R)

Rep. Beverly Barnhart (D)

Rep. John Cobb (R)

Sen. Bob Keenan (R)

Sen. Mignon Waterman (D)

Members Excused: None.

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Delila Croucher, Committee Secretary

Lorene Thorson, Legislative Branch

Bob Andersen, OBPP

Please Note: These are summary minutes. Testimony and

discussion are paraphrased and condensed.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing(s): Operations and Technology

Division; Child Support

Enforcement Division

Executive Action: none

Mike Billings gave a presentation on the Operations and Technology Division. The Committee engaged in a discussion on the MT PRRIME costs, accounting functions, readiness and cost effectiveness. **EXHIBIT(jhh28a01) EXHIBIT(jhh28a02) EXHIBIT(jhh28a03)**

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Debbie Fulton, Connie Griffith, Scott Simms, Joyce Zahn, Jack Lowney, Dan Forbes, Marilyn Carlin and Sherry Kovacin were among those present to answer questions about the Division.

Lorene Thorson gave an overview of the LFD issues and Mike Billings gave the division response to those issues. Present Law Adjustments as well as New Proposal requests were discussed. The Committee asked questions as they came up.

EXHIBIT (jhh28a04) EXHIBIT (jhh28a05)

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The following exhibit was entered into the record. **EXHIBIT (jhh28a06)**

Discussion on MT PRRIME

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Mary Ann Wellbank gave a presentation on the Child Support Enforcement Division. Wayne Peterson, B.J. Adams, Deb Stipeich and Susan Ramsey were among those present to answer questions on behalf of the Division. **EXHIBIT**(jhh28a07)

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ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 12:11 P.M.

REP. BETTY LOU KASTEN, Chairman

DELILA CROUCHER, Secretary

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EXHIBIT (jhh28aad)